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1.

Light aircraft are assigned to KBW Hqs in Warsaw and to the Ministry of Public Security in Warsaw.

2.

These light aircraft serve as observation craft for KBW command post exercises, as reconnaissance craft in fighting against partisans, and as transportation to KBW unit locations for field grade and KBW officers and other important persons.

3.

The aircraft are a WW II model of the Soviet type, "Kukuruznik", an observation and passenger plane.

the plane: one-man crew and three passengers; double wing, total wing span approximately 10 m; length of craft about nine m; speed about 300 km per hour; no armament.

the aircraft are based at Mokotow /5212N-2101E/near Warsaw.¹

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4.

[redacted] the following commanders in the Air Force were Soviet: a colonel, (nu), CO of the airfield at Elblag /5410N-1923E7, and a colonel, (nu), CO of the airfield at Poznan /5225N-1658E7. [redacted]

5.

Although Soviet officers are not assigned as commanders of units in the UB, they are assigned as advisers to all UB units down to and including the Provincial Security Office (Wojewodzki Urząd Bezpieczeństwa Publicznego - WUBP). The Soviet adviser evaluates all WUBP reports.

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In KBW, Soviet officers command directly.

6.

[redacted] aero clubs called LOT existed in each province of Poland. Youths, 17 - 18 years old, belonged to these aero clubs. [redacted]

[redacted] glider training, parachute jumping, pilot, and aero mechanic training are given in every province of Poland. [redacted]

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